

CHRIST CHURCH

✠ A Parish in the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta ✠

“Growing by God’s Grace as a Family of Faith, Fellowship, and Ministry”



Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

November 11, 2018 | 11 AM

✠ Diocesan Purpose Statement ✠

*“We challenge ourselves and the world to love like Jesus
as we worship joyfully, serve compassionately, and grow spiritually.”*

WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH

Christ Church gladly welcomes all people. Our clergy, staff, and parishioners are delighted to assist you in learning more about our worship and our community. Restrooms are in the Parish House, located to the left of the church. Ushers are available to assist you as needed. If this is your first time visiting with us today, please complete a visitor card (*located in the pew*) and place it in the offering plate. We are delighted you are here, and we hope to see you again soon.

A nursery is provided for infants and toddlers beginning at 9am. Christian Formation for all ages begins at 10am. Materials are available in the Narthex for younger children. Children, through 5th grade, who complete the *Sunday Challenge* may hand in their sheet following the service to receive a reward.

Christ Church was founded in 1825, and was the first church established in Macon, Georgia. We are the Mother Church of the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta and are a member of the Worldwide Anglican Communion.

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

All baptized Christians, regardless of denomination or age, are invited to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion. If you do not wish to partake, you are invited to receive a blessing by crossing your arms at the altar rail. If you are unable to come to the altar, please notify an usher and the elements will be brought to you. Gluten-free wafers are available if you have a wheat allergy.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Parish Prayer List: Abby, Adrienne, Amanda, Angela, Anne, Beverly, Bill, Bobby, Brian, Candy, Caitlyn, Carrie, Cissy, Cole, Connie, Crawford, David, Dawn, Debbie, Edsel, Faye, Gail, George, Jason, Jim, Julie, Kathryn, Kelly, Laura, Malcolm, Marco, Margaret, Matthew, Martin, Mary Jane, Melanie, Michael, Munnerlyn, Pete, Phil, Ricky, Rosa, Seabi, Shannon, Sparky, and William. For those serving in the military especially, Allen, Austin, Brian, Caylee, Charlie, George, Jeffrey, John, Jon, Regis, Terry, and Thomas. The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Janet Palmer Horne and Peter L. Horne.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Altar Guild

Susan Ouzts
Peggy Puryear
Kelly Solomon

Flag Bearers

Dell Bunker, *American*
Ellen Bunker, *Episcopal*

Flower Guild

Joan Hatcher

Lector/Chalice Bearers

David Cusson
Ellen Bunker

Verger

Gene Hatcher

Ushers & Greeters

Mary Allison & Reg Buzzell
Elizabeth & Bobby Cleveland
Molly & Ed Muse
Sherrie & Daryl Sumner

As we enter the Nave, let us prepare our hearts and minds to worship God.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Opening Voluntary: *Elegy*

George Thalben-Ball (1896–1987)

Bells of Freedom: World War I Remembrance

At 11:00 am, Americans across the nation will toll bells twenty-one times in remembrance of those who served and sacrificed their lives during World War I.

“Almighty God our heavenly Father, guide the nations of the world into the way of justice and truth, and establish among them that peace which is the fruit of righteousness, that they may become the kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.” — Book of Common Prayer, p. 816

Hymn in Procession: *God of our fathers, whose almighty hand*

Hymnal, 718

The Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer, p. 355

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Collect for Purity

BCP, p. 355

All: Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Gloria

Hymnal, S 280

Salutation and Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People: **Amen.**

Lector: A reading from the first Book of Kings.

The word of the Lord came to Elijah, saying, "Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you." So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink." As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." But she said, "As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die." Elijah said to her, "Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the Lord the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the Lord sends rain on the earth." She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**



- 1 Hallelujah!
Praise the Lord, /O my /soul! *
I will praise the Lord as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my /God [while I] /have my being.
- 2 Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any /child of /earth, *
– /for there /is no /help in them.
- 3 When they breathe their last, they re/turn to /earth, *
and in that /day their /thoughts /perish.
- 4 Happy are they who have the God of /[Jacob] [for their] /help! *
whose /[hope is] [in the] /Lord their /God;
- 5 Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and /[all that] is /in them; *
who /keeps his /promise for /ever;
- 6 Who gives justice to /[those who] [are op]/pressed, *
and /food to /those who /hunger.
- 7 The Lord sets the prisoners free;
the Lord opens the /[eyes of] the /blind; *
the Lord lifts up /those [who are] /bowed /down;
- 8 The Lord loves the righteous;
the Lord /[cares for] the /stranger; *
he sustains the orphan and widow,
but /[frustrates] the /[way of the] /wicked.
- †9 The Lord shall /reign for /ever, *
your God, O Zion, throughout all gene/rations./
Halle/lujah!

The Second Lesson

Hebrews 9:24-28

Lector: A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn: *O Love of God, how strong and true*

Hymnal, 455

The Holy Gospel

Mark 12:38-44

Gospeler: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

As Jesus taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

Gospeler: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

Rev. Zac Neubauer

The Nicene Creed

BCP, p. 358

The Prayers of the People: Form III

BCP, p. 387

Confession of Sin & Absolution

BCP, p. 360

Welcome & Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Sentence

Anthem at the Offertory: *Give almes of thy goods* Christopher Tye (1505–1572)

Hymn at the Presentation: *Praise God, from whom all blessing flow* Hymnal, 380 st. 3

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A BCP, p. 361

The Sanctus Hymnal, S 125

Words of Institution BCP, p. 362

Memorial Acclamation



Christ has died. Christ is ris-en. Christ will come a - gain.

The Lord's Prayer BCP, p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread BCP, p. 364

Fraction Anthem Hymnal, S 169

Invitation to Holy Communion BCP, p. 365

Hymn during Communion: *There's a wideness in God's mercy* Hymnal, 469

The Post-Communion Prayer BCP, p. 366

All: Almighty and everliving God,
 we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
 of the most precious Body and Blood
 of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
 and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
 that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
 and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
 And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,
 to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
 To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
 be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Hymn in Procession: *Amazing grace! how sweet the sound*

Hymnal, 671

The Dismissal

The priest dismisses the people

People: Thanks be to God.

Closing Voluntary: *O Gott du frommer Gott*

Johannes Brahms (1833–1897)

ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC
Today @ 4:00 PM
The Sheridan Farm
955 McCowan Road, Forsyth

Join us for food, fellowship, and fun at the Sheridan Farm. Fried chicken will be provided by Parish Life. Please bring a side dish to share. We look forward to seeing you there!

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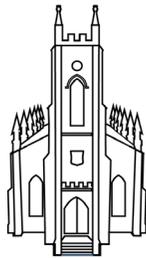
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